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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SERIAL NO: 09/276,014

: EXAMINER: OWENS JR., H.

FILED: MARCH 25, 1999

FOR: HYDROGENATED STARCH HYDROLYSATE

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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BY: Baibara J. Mille

<u>PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)</u>

Sir:

The applicants respectfully petition to revive the above-identified abandoned application on the ground that the abandonment was unintentional. 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The following are enclosed with this Petition:

- 1. A proposed response to the office action dated August 7, 2000, comprising an Amendment.
- 2. A Petition for Extension of Time (in Amendment/Response Transmittal form) and a check for \$890.00.
- 3. A check for the petition fee of \$1,240 (37 CFR 1.17(m)).

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FACTS RELEVANT TO THIS PETITION

This application became abandoned (mailing date of Notice of Abandonment is March 28, 2001) for failure to respond to an office action. The abandonment was unintentional.

STATEMENT

The entire delay in filing the required reply (i.e., a response to the office action) from the due date for the reply until the filing of the present Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

RELIEF REQUESTED

Applicants request that this application be revived to pending status and that the enclosed Amendment be accepted and considered.

If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this Petition or the filing of the enclosed Amendment, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the deposit account of the undersigned attorneys, Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Amendment

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